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REFERENCE: 16254/G-1

SUBJECT : Officers' Mess Grant

TO : Distribution Below.

1. A sum of 476 pounds has been drawn by HQ ACC as an initial Mess Grant for the purchase of crockery, glass, etc., for Officers' Messes.
2. Of this 35,000 Lire has been expended as a grant to the Officers' Messes of HQ ACC at NAPLES and SALERNO.
3. In addition advances of 120,000 Lire have been made. Of this the sum of 100,000 Lire has been repaid already.
4. It is proposed to hold this money in a Fund which can be used to help Officers of Regions, etc., to start new Messes as required.
5. At Appendix "A" to this letter is a draft of the proposed Rules for the operation of this Fund. This initial Mess Grant is applicable only to British Officers and to Officers' Messes of Units which were formed before 1 Nov 1943.
6. It is hoped to draw the balance of the amount due, i.e., 2 pounds 5 shillings per Officer, when it has been ascertained for how many Officers this grant has been received in addition to the amount (for 224 Officers) already received.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUT GENERAL MASON MACFARLANE

R.H. FARNET,  
Colonel,  
Executive Officer.

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Appendix "A"

PROPOSED RULES FOR BRITISH OFFICERS ACC CENTRAL MESSSES FUND

1. Fund to be styled the British Officers ACC Central Messses Fund.
2. The Fund to be administered by a Committee composed as follows:
  - President: Senior British Officer in ACC.
  - Members : Senior British Officer of each Region and AMG  
FIFTH and EIGHTH ARMIES.
    - A British Officer nominated by the Executive Commissioner.
    - Senior British Financial Officer.
  - Secretary: An Officer (British) nominated by the Executive Commissioner.
  - Treasurer: An Officer (British) nominated by the Senior Finance Officer.
3. Form of assistance to be given:
  - Assistance to be given to any authorised Officers' Mess of an ACC Formation.
  - Assistance to be in the form of either
    - (a) A Grant or
    - (b) A Loan
4.
  - (a) Grants will not be repayable and will be limited to an amount equal to one pound per head for all Officers (A & B) who are members of the Mess concerned.
  - (b) Loans will be repayable at the rate of 1/10th of the total loan per month. First payment to be made two months after receipt of the loan.
    - Loan to be limited to an amount equal to two pounds per head for all Officers (A & B) who are members of the Mess concerned.
    - No interest will be charged on loans.
5. Money received as a Loan or a Grant will be expended only on glass, Crockery, and linen required to start the Mess.
6. Messes which receive a Loan will institute a Sinking Fund from which instalments will be repaid. The Central Messses Fund will have prior claim on the assets of any mess still in debt when the mess is broken up.
7. Disposal of any Balance Credit of the Fund after the necessity for it has finished will be at the discretion of the Committee.



